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SUBJ: INFORMAL MEETING ON FOOD AID CONVENTION (FAC) ON
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1. PARAGRAPH 2 REFTEL STATES THAT IF DECISION (ON EEC'S REMAINING PARTY TO FAC) NOT REACHED, EEC WOULD PROBABLY FILE A DECLARATION OF PROVISIONAL APPLICATION.
2. OUR READING OF FAC EXTENDING PROTOCOL IS THAT PROVISIONAL APPLICATION HAS PRACTICAL EFFECT THAT EEC WILL APPLY FAC BEYOND JUNE 30, AT LEAST TEMPORARILY. IS THIS REALLY A POSSIBLE COURSE OF ACTION FOR EEC IF SOME MEMBER STATES ARE OPPOSED TO EEC REMAINING IN FAC?
3. FOR EC BRUSSELS ONLY. AS REFTEL NOTES THERE IS CONTINUING PROBLEM WITH ITALY WHICH HAS NEVER RATIFIED FAC. FOR THIS REASON EEC IS NOW ONLY PROVISIONAL PARTY TO FAC, AND ITALY SHARE OF EEC OBLIGATIONS HAS NOT BEEN MET. ARE WE CORRECT IN UNDERSTANDING THAT EEC PROVISIONAL APPLICATION OF EXTENDING PROTOCOL, IF POSSIBLE IN PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, WOULD NOT RESULT IN MEMBER STATE CONTRIBUTIONS EXCEPT AS EACH SEPARATELY RATIFIES PROTOCOL? MORE BASICALLY, WHAT IS THE EEC OBLIGATION TO MEET ITS FAC QUOTA REGARDLESS OF MEMBER STATE RATIFICATIONS AND ACTIONS? THIS LATTER IS QUESTION ON WHICH WE WOULD EXPECT TO DEVELOP OUR OWN POSITION BASED ON INTERNATIONAL LEGAL PRECEDENT. BUT WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW EEC POSITION. PLEASE RESTRICT THESE INQUIRIES TO TECHNICAL LEVEL. KISSINGER

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